

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 23. (Cancelled).

24. (Currently Amended) A removable elastic positioning appliance comprising:

a shell having a hollow cavity with first and second edges shaped to receive and reposition teeth from a first orientation to a successive orientation, the shell having at least one protrusion disposed along [[an]] the first edge of the hollow cavity and at least one additional protrusion disposed along the second edge of the hollow cavity, which protrusions contact [[s]] a plurality of teeth to assist in holding the appliance in position, wherein the ~~at least one~~ protrusions each comprise [[s]] a continuous protrusion ~~disposed along said edge~~ which is configured to fit in the undercut of the plurality of teeth and to contact said plurality of teeth along the length of the gingival margin and interdental areas between said teeth.

25. - 27. (Cancelled)

28. (Currently Amended) An appliance as in claim 24, wherein the ~~at least one~~ protrusions are adhered to the shell ~~is mountable on the appliance~~.

29. (Currently Amended) An appliance as in claim 24, wherein the ~~at least one~~ protrusions are embedded in the shell ~~is adapted to provide increased stability~~.

30. - 31. (Cancelled)

32. (Currently Amended) A removable elastic positioning appliance comprising:

a shell having a hollow cavity shaped to receive and reposition teeth from a first orientation to a successive orientation, said shell having a channel with a first wall adapted to engage the buccal surface of the teeth and a second wall adapted to engage the lingual surface of the teeth, the walls each having ~~a continuous terminus along~~ an edge thereof, wherein a first continuous protrusion is disposed along the edge of the first wall and a second continuous protrusion is disposed along the edge of the second wall, each continuous protrusion spanning the length of each edge and sized to fit in the undercut of the teeth and contact the teeth along the length of the gingival margin and interdental areas of the teeth on both the buccal side and the lingual side of the teeth to hold the appliance in position.

33. (Previously Presented) An appliance as in claim 32, wherein the first continuous protrusion and the second continuous protrusion are embedded in the shell.

34. (Currently Amended) An appliance as in claim 32, wherein the first continuous protrusion and the second continuous protrusion are adhered to ~~mountable on~~ the shell.

35. - 37. (Cancelled)